

Coefficient bounds for some families of starlike and convex functions of complex order

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Abstract

In the present work, the authors determine coefficient bounds for functions in certain subclasses of starlike and convex functions of complex order, which are introduced here by means of a family of nonhomogeneous Cauchy–Euler differential equations. Several corollaries and consequences of the main results are also considered.

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1. Introduction and definitions

Let \mathcal{A} denote the class of functions $f(z)$ normalized by

$$f(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} a_k z^k, \quad (1.1)$$

which are *analytic* in the *open* unit disk

$$\mathbb{U} = \{z : z \in \mathbb{C} \text{ and } |z| < 1\}.$$

A function $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$ is said to be in the class $\mathcal{S}^*(\gamma)$ if it also satisfies the following inequality:

$$\Re \left[1 + \frac{1}{\gamma} \left(\frac{zf'(z)}{f(z)} - 1 \right) \right] > 0 \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}; \gamma \in \mathbb{C}^* := \mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}). \quad (1.2)$$

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Furthermore, a function $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$ is said to be in the class $\mathcal{C}(\gamma)$, if it also satisfies the following inequality:

$$\Re \left(1 + \frac{1}{\gamma} \frac{zf''(z)}{f'(z)} \right) > 0 \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}; \gamma \in \mathbb{C}^*). \tag{1.3}$$

The function classes $\mathcal{S}^*(\gamma)$ and $\mathcal{C}(\gamma)$ were considered earlier by Nasr and Aouf [10–12] and Wiatrowski [15], respectively (see also [8,9,14]).

We also let $\mathcal{SC}(\gamma, \lambda, \beta)$ denote the subclass of \mathcal{A} consisting of functions $f(z)$ which satisfy the following condition:

$$\Re \left[1 + \frac{1}{\gamma} \left(\frac{z[\lambda zf'(z) + (1-\lambda)f(z)]'}{\lambda zf'(z) + (1-\lambda)f(z)} - 1 \right) \right] > \beta \quad (f(z) \in \mathcal{A}; 0 \leq \lambda \leq 1; 0 \leq \beta < 1; \gamma \in \mathbb{C}^*; z \in \mathbb{U}). \tag{1.4}$$

Clearly, we have the following relationships:

$$\mathcal{SC}(\gamma, 0, 0) \equiv \mathcal{S}^*(\gamma) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathcal{SC}(\gamma, 1, 0) \equiv \mathcal{C}(\gamma).$$

Recently, the function class satisfying the inequality (1.4) was considered by Altıntaş et al. [4]. For other special cases of the function class $\mathcal{SC}(\gamma, \lambda, \beta)$, we refer the reader to the investigations by (for example) Altıntaş et al. [1–3, 5–7]. The main object of the present investigation is to derive some coefficient bounds for functions in the subclass $\mathcal{B}(\gamma, \lambda, \beta; \mu)$ of \mathcal{A} , which consists of functions $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$ satisfying the following *nonhomogeneous* Cauchy–Euler differential equation:

$$z^2 \frac{d^2w}{dz^2} + 2(1 + \mu)z \frac{dw}{dz} + \mu(1 + \mu)w = (1 + \mu)(2 + \mu)g(z) \tag{1.5}$$

$(w := f(z) \in \mathcal{A}; g(z) \in \mathcal{SC}(\gamma, \lambda, \beta); \mu \in \mathbb{R} \setminus (-\infty, -1]).$

2. Coefficient estimates for the function class $\mathcal{SC}(\gamma, \lambda, \beta)$

For functions in the class $\mathcal{SC}(\gamma, \lambda, \beta)$, we first establish the following result.

Theorem 1. *Let the function $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$ be defined by (1.1). If the function $f(z)$ is in the class $\mathcal{SC}(\gamma, \lambda, \beta)$, then*

$$|a_n| \leq \frac{\prod_{j=0}^{n-2} [j + 2|\gamma|(1 - \beta)]}{(n - 1)! [1 + \lambda(n - 1)]} \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}^* := \mathbb{N} \setminus \{1\} = \{2, 3, 4, \dots\}). \tag{2.1}$$

Proof. Let the function $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$ be given by (1.1) and let the function $\mathcal{F}(z)$ be defined by

$$\mathcal{F}(z) := \lambda zf'(z) + (1 - \lambda)f(z) \quad (f(z) \in \mathcal{A}; 0 \leq \lambda \leq 1; z \in \mathbb{U}).$$

Then, from (1.4) and the definition of the function $\mathcal{F}(z)$ above, it is easily seen that

$$\Re \left[1 + \frac{1}{\gamma} \left(\frac{z\mathcal{F}'(z)}{\mathcal{F}(z)} - 1 \right) \right] > \beta$$

with

$$\mathcal{F}(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} A_k z^k \in \mathcal{A} \quad (A_k := [1 + \lambda(k - 1)]a_k; k \in \mathbb{N}^*).$$

Thus, by setting

$$\frac{1 + \frac{1}{\gamma} \left(\frac{z\mathcal{F}'(z)}{\mathcal{F}(z)} - 1 \right) - \beta}{1 - \beta} = h(z)$$

or, equivalently,

$$z\mathcal{F}'(z) = [1 + \gamma(1 - \beta)(h(z) - 1)]\mathcal{F}(z), \tag{2.2}$$

we get

$$h(z) = 1 + c_1z + c_2z^2 + \cdots \quad (z \in \mathbb{U}). \quad (2.3)$$

Since

$$\Re(h(z)) > 0 \quad (0 \leq \beta < 1; \gamma \in \mathbb{C}^*),$$

we conclude that

$$|c_n| \leq 2 \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}).$$

We also find from (2.2) and (2.3) that

$$(n-1)A_n = 2\gamma(1-\beta)[1 + A_2 + A_3 + \cdots + A_{n-1}].$$

In particular, for $n = 2, 3, 4$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} A_2 = 2\gamma(1-\beta) &\Rightarrow |A_2| \leq 2|\gamma|(1-\beta), \\ 2A_3 = 1 + A_2 &\Rightarrow |A_3| \leq \frac{2|\gamma|(1-\beta)[1 + 2|\gamma|(1-\beta)]}{2!}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$3A_4 = 1 + A_2 + A_3 \Rightarrow |A_4| \leq \frac{2|\gamma|(1-\beta)[1 + 2|\gamma|(1-\beta)][2 + 2|\gamma|(1-\beta)]}{3!},$$

respectively. Using the principle of mathematical induction, we obtain

$$|A_n| \leq \frac{\prod_{j=0}^{n-2} [j + 2|\gamma|(1-\beta)]}{(n-1)!} \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}^*). \quad (2.4)$$

Moreover, by the relationship between the functions $f(z)$ and $\mathcal{F}(z)$, it is clear that

$$A_n = [1 + \lambda(n-1)]a_n \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}^*), \quad (2.5)$$

just as we indicated above.

The inequality (2.1) now follows from (2.4) and (2.5). This evidently completes the proof of [Theorem 1](#). \square

By choosing suitable values of the admissible parameters β , λ , and γ in [Theorem 1](#) above, we deduce the following corollaries.

Corollary 1. *If a function $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$ is in the class $\mathcal{SC}(\gamma, \lambda, 0)$, then*

$$|a_n| \leq \frac{\prod_{j=0}^{n-2} (j + 2|\gamma|)}{(n-1)![1 + \lambda(n-1)]} \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}^*).$$

Corollary 2 (cf., e.g., [Nasr and Aouf \[10\]](#)). *If a function $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$ is in the class $\mathcal{S}^*(\gamma)$, then*

$$|a_n| \leq \frac{\prod_{j=0}^{n-2} (j + 2|\gamma|)}{(n-1)!} \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}^*).$$

Corollary 3 (cf., e.g., [Nasr and Aouf \[10\]](#)). *If a function $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$ is in the class $\mathcal{C}(\gamma)$, then*

$$|a_n| \leq \frac{\prod_{j=0}^{n-2} (j + 2|\gamma|)}{n!} \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}^*).$$

Corollary 4. If a function $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$ is in the class $\mathcal{SC}(1 - \alpha, \lambda, \beta)$, then

$$|a_n| \leq \frac{\prod_{j=0}^{n-2} [j + 2(1 - \alpha)(1 - \beta)]}{(n - 1)! [1 + \lambda(n - 1)]} \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}^*).$$

Corollary 5 (cf. Robertson [13]). If a function $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$ is in the class $\mathcal{S}^*(1 - \alpha)$, then

$$|a_n| \leq \frac{\prod_{j=0}^{n-2} [j + 2(1 - \alpha)]}{(n - 1)!} \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}^*).$$

Corollary 6 (cf. Robertson [13]). If a function $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$ is in the class $\mathcal{C}(1 - \alpha)$, then

$$|a_n| \leq \frac{\prod_{j=0}^{n-2} [j + 2(1 - \alpha)]}{n!} \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}^*).$$

3. Coefficient bounds for the function class $\mathcal{B}(\gamma, \lambda, \beta; \mu)$

Our main coefficient bounds for functions in the class $\mathcal{B}(\gamma, \lambda, \beta; \mu)$ are given by Theorem 2 below.

Theorem 2. Let the function $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$ be defined by (1.1). If the function $f(z)$ is in the class $\mathcal{B}(\gamma, \lambda, \beta; \mu)$, then

$$|a_n| \leq \frac{(1 + \mu)(2 + \mu) \prod_{j=0}^{n-2} [j + 2|\gamma|(1 - \beta)]}{(n - 1)!(n + \mu)(n + 1 + \mu)[1 + \lambda(n - 1)]} \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}^*). \tag{3.1}$$

Proof. Let $f(z) \in \mathcal{A}$ be given by (1.1). Also let

$$g(z) = z + \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} b_k z^k \in \mathcal{SC}(\gamma, \lambda, \beta), \tag{3.2}$$

so that

$$a_n = \frac{(1 + \mu)(2 + \mu)}{(n + \mu)(n + 1 + \mu)} b_n \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}^*; \mu \in \mathbb{R} \setminus (-\infty, -1]). \tag{3.3}$$

Thus, by using Theorem 1, we readily obtain

$$|a_n| \leq \frac{(1 + \mu)(2 + \mu) \prod_{j=0}^{n-2} [j + 2|\gamma|(1 - \beta)]}{(n - 1)!(n + \mu)(n + 1 + \mu)[1 + \lambda(n - 1)]} \quad (n \in \mathbb{N}^*),$$

which is precisely the assertion (3.1) of Theorem 2. \square

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